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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSEMAIL STOP RCE
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 13, 2006, submitted herewith is a REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE), a petition for a 3 month extension of time and the present AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE. Reference is made to the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) and cited non-patent references filed electronically on July 12, 2006. Reconsideration is requested.

In response to the Office Action dated January 13, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.